SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 348

By Henry

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of James E. "Jim Ed" Clary of Nashville.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly find it fitting to honor the memory of James E. "Jim Ed" Clary; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Clary was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, he served with acumen and alacrity as Davidson County Assessor of
Property from 1975 until his untimely death in 1992, in which position he earned the respect of
his peers and community alike for the exemplary quality of his work; a dedicated professional,
Mr. Clary, at that time, was the only assessor in Tennessee to have earned the designations of
both Certified Assessment Evaluations and Tennessee Certified Assessor; and

WHEREAS, James E. Clary was born on December 7, 1933, to parents William and Johnnie Mary Hurt Clary; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of East High School, Mr. Clary received his bachelor's degree from Middle Tennessee State University in 1959; and

WHEREAS, he was a Sergeant in the United States Marine Corps, and Mr. Clary proudly served his country in the Korean War; and

WHEREAS, he was an active and devout member of Edgefield Baptist Church, which he served faithfully his entire life; and

WHEREAS, he lent his time and professional and personal talents to a number of worthy organizations, including service on the Tennessee State Board of Equalization, March of Dimes, American Red Cross, Youth Inc., American Legion Post 88, Stratford High School Men's Club, West Nashville Moose Lodge, Music City Fishing Club, and the Blue Raider Athletic Association; and

WHEREAS, in his spare time, Mr. Clary enjoyed hunting and fishing on or near Kentucky Lake; and

WHEREAS, he was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, James E. Clary has left behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of James E. "Jim Ed" Clary, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction, as we fondly remember his exemplary tenure as Davidson County Assessor of Property.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Clary.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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